

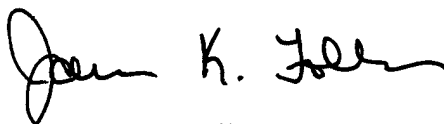
## REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request approval of the above-noted amendment to the Specification in which the Abstract is replaced with an Abstract that more closely reflects the claimed invention. More specifically, the new Abstract is based upon allowed Claim 3 whereas the previous Abstract was based upon a claim that has been cancelled. The proposed amendment places the Application in better form for issuance because the new Abstract better coincides with the invention defined in the claims. As such, the proposed amendment is merely formal in nature, does not introduce new matter, and does not affect the scope of the claims. Therefore, the proposed amendment is permissible under 37 C.F.R. §1.312. Accordingly, approval and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that further clarification is necessary, or that outstanding issues exist, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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